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Courts' Statutory Change Drafts for Biennial Budget Submission

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Hi Bob,

Attached is a memo detailing the drafts we are requesting for the Courts' 2007-09 biennial budget request. Please call if you have further questions and thanks for your help.

Deb Brescoll Director of State Courts Office DATE:

August 22, 2006

TO:

Robert Nelson, Senior Attorney Legislative Reference Bureau

FROM:

Deb Brescoll, Budget and Policy Officer

Director of State Courts Office

SUBJECT:

Statutory Change Requests for the Courts' 2007-2009 Biennial Budget

Submissions

Attached are five statutory changes requested by the Supreme Court as part of the court system's 2007-2009 biennial budget request, namely:

Supreme Court and Circuit Courts



Require counties to submit to the Director of State Courts an annual report by May 15 that complies with a uniform chart of accounts developed by the Director of State Courts Office for the recording of all financial transactions relating to core court services. Authorize the Director of State Courts Office to conduct audits of counties' annual reports of court costs and revenues. This was drafted two years ago as LRB 0147/P2.

Supreme Court

- Provide that the \$1 of the justice information system surcharge (JISS) revenues currently deposited to the General Fund instead be deposited to s. 20.680(2)(j), Court information systems (CCAP). Currently this appropriation receives six-twelfths of the \$12 surcharge; under this proposal, CCAP would receive seven-twelfths of the surcharge. Further, delete the exemption from the CCAP fee and the JISS for the following violations: first violation of operating an ATV, motorboat, motor vehicle or snowmobile with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more but less than 0.1. Finally, broaden the Chapter 20 appropriation language for s. 20.680(2)(j) to allow the Supreme Court to establish additional CCAP fees by rule.
- Change the Director of State Courts Office appropriation from annual to biennial. Two years ago you drafted this same request as LRB 0121/1.

Circuit Courts

• Require court interpreters for all cases regardless of indigency. Authorize state reimbursement for county interpreter costs related to non-indigents.

STATUTORY LANGUAGE REQUEST: 2007 - 2009

Department/Program: Supreme Court and Circuit Courts

Statutory Language Change: Uniform Chart of Accounts for Court Financial Transactions and Audits of Counties' Annual Reports of Court Costs and Revenues

NARRATIVE

The Supreme Court requests the following statutory language modifications in order to institute a standardized program for the recording, reporting, and auditing of the annual county circuit court costs and revenues submitted to the Director of State Courts Office, and to require counties to adhere to a uniform chart of accounts when recording all financial transactions related to court services as defined by the Director of State Courts.

- Modify s. 758.19 (5)(a) by deleting 1. to 8. and instead say that in this subsection "court costs" means the court costs as defined by the Director of State Courts under (am)1, except for those costs related to courtroom security, including security personnel, and costs related to rent, utilities, maintenance, rehabilitation and construction of court facilities.
- Create s. 758.19 (5)(am) to authorize the Director of State Courts to: (1) prescribe a uniform chart of accounts applicable to all counties for the recording of all financial transactions relating to the operation of the circuit courts in the county including both revenues and expenditures, and (2) perform audits of the annual reports of court costs and revenues submitted by counties to the director of state courts under (e).
- Delete s. 758.19 (19) (5)(d).
- Modify s. 758.19 (5)(e) to say that no later than May 15 of each year, each county shall submit to the director of state courts, in a format that is established by the director of state courts and in a manner that complies with a uniform chart of accounts developed by the director of state courts under (am)1, information regarding the amount of actual court costs that the county incurred in the previous calendar year and the revenues that the court collected or was received by the court in the previous calendar year.
- Modify s. 758.19 (5)(f) to say that a county that fails to meet the requirements under par. (e) is not eligible for a payment under par. (b) for one year beginning July 1 following the May 15 that the information was not provided, or until the information is provided, whichever is earlier. Keep the last sentence starting with "Except".

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- 758.19 (5) (a) In this subsection, "court costs" does not include costs related to courtroom security, including security personnel, and costs related to rent, utilities, maintenance, rehabilitation, and construction of court facilities.
- 8 Section 2. 758.19 (5) (am) of the statutes is created to read:
- 9 758.19 (5) (am) The director of state courts may create a uniform chart of accounts that each county shall be required to use for the recording of all financial

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| 6 | 15 following the effective date of this paragraph [revisor inserts date], and no later |
| 7 | than May 15 of each year thereafter, each county shall submit to the director of state |
| 8 | courts, in a format that is established by the director of state courts, and in a manner |
| 9 | that comports with the uniform chart of accounts under par. (am), information |
| 10 | regarding the amount of actual court costs that the county incurred in the previous |
| 11 | calendar year for each of the court costs listed in par. (a) 1. to 8 and revenues collected |
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This bill deletes the list of court costs that are eligible for reimbursement from the statutes and retains the list of court costs that are not eligible for reimbursement. Instead of listing the eligible court costs, this bill requires counties to report their reimbursable court costs on a uniform chart of accounts that the director of state courts creates. The bill also changes the date that the counties must report the court costs from July 1 to May 15.

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2007-09 Budget Bill Statutory Language Drafting Request

• Topic: Standardized county reporting and auditing county court costs and revenues

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• Priority (Low, Medium, High): Medium

The request intends to institute a standardized program for the recording, reporting and auditing of the annual county circuit court costs and revenues submitted to the Director of State Courts Office. Second, the request would require counties to adhere to a uniform chart of accounts when recording all financial transactions related to court services as defined by the Director of State Courts.

The agency submitted a draft of LRB-0108/2 along with their budget request.

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SECTION 2. 758.19 (5) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

758.19 (5) (am) The director of state courts may create a uniform chart of accounts that each county shall be required to use for the recording of all financial transactions relating to the operation of circuit courts and may audit the information submitted under par. (e).

SECTION 3. 758.19 (5) (d) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 4. 758.19 (5) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

758.19 (5) (e) No later than July 1, 1994, and no later than July 1 the first May 15 following the effective date of this paragraph [revisor inserts date], and no later than May 15 of each year thereafter, each county shall submit to the director of state courts, in a format that is established by the director of state courts, and in a manner that comports with the uniform chart of accounts under par. (am), information regarding the amount of actual court costs that the county incurred in the previous calendar year for each of the court costs listed in par. (a) 1. to 8 and revenues collected or received by the court in the previous calendar year.

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(END)

Nelson, Robert P.

From:

Wavrunek, Leah J - DOA

Sent:

Friday, January 12, 2007 9:56 AM

To:

Nelson, Robert P.

Subject: LRB-0112/4 and 0108/3 Revisions

Good morning,

I will be sending a few emails today on changes/questions now that we are getting some decisions. If you prefer another format, please let me know.

Reconciling 0112/4 and 0108/3:

1. For 0112/4, the current intent is to <u>not</u> change the formula and <u>not</u> change the distribution of funds. We will keep the Circuit Court Support and Guardian ad Litem payments separate and have them paid out of GPR.

2. In the drafter's note, you noted that this bill and 0108/3 are not reconciled. We do want to have a chart of accounts and give the Director's office the ability to audit information. If this can be accomplished just through 0108/3, that would be fine.

Please give me a call if you have questions regarding the intent of these revisions.

Thank you,

Leah

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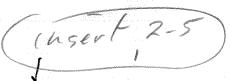
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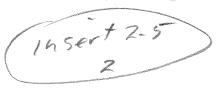
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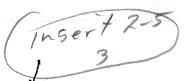
758.19 (5) (a) (intro.) In this subsection, "court costs" means one or more of the following costs: History: 1971 c. 254 ss. 1, 2, 4 to 16; Stats. 1971 s. 257.19; 1975 c. 37, 189, 199; 1977 c. 29; 1977 c. 187 ss. 97, 135; 1977 c. 305 s. 64; 1977 c. 449; Stats. 1977 s. 758.19; Sup. Ct. Order, 88 Wis. 2d xiii (1979); 1981 c. 96; 1983 a. 27; 1985 a. 29, 340; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 32, 39; 1993 a. 16, 206, 437, 491; 1995 a. 27, 77, 201, 225, 417; 1997 a. 27, 237; 1999 a. 9, 29; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 33, 139; 2005 a. 387; 2005 a. 443 s. 265.



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History: 1971 c. 254 ss. 1, 2, 4 to 16; Stats. 1971 s. 257.19; 1975 c. 37, 189, 199; 1977 c. 29; 1977 c. 187 ss. 97, 135; 1977 c. 305 s. 64; 1977 c. 449; Stats. 1977 s. 758.19; Sup. Ct. Order, 88 Wis. 2d xiii (1979); 1981 c. 96; 1983 a. 27; 1985 a. 29, 340; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 32, 39; 1993 a. 16, 206, 437, 491; 1995 a. 27, 77, 201, 225, 417; 1997 a. 27, 237; 1999 a. 9, 29; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 33, 139; 2005 a. 387; 2005 a. 443 s. 265.



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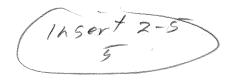
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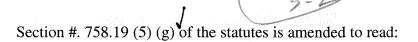


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DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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January 17, 2007

I added "circuit" at all of the appropriate places in s. 758.19 (5), for consistency and clarity.

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